

## I HAVE THE GOODS. AND AM Making Prices FOR THE TOWN. J. M. McKIBBEN.

### DAKOTA'S HORROR.

Millions of Dollars of Property Reduced to Ashes.

Five Towns Almost Entirely Destroyed by the Flames. At least Four Lives Lost in the Terrible Holocaust.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 4.—During the last two days South Dakota and Minnesota have been swept by a series of wind storms and prairie fires which have caused hundreds of thousands of dollars' damage to property and caused the loss of several lives. The storm started Monday night and swept over a large area south of the Northern Pacific road in Dakota and extending into the southern tier of counties in this state.

Several small villages and hundreds of farmers' houses have been destroyed. The towns almost completely ruined are Volin, Olivet, Pukwana, Lesterville and Mount Vernon. Three or four other villages were badly damaged. At Volin every house in the place, except three, was demolished and 100 people were without homes last night. Lesterville was flattened to the ground and twenty families are without a roof. A terrible gale of wind struck Mount Vernon, and fire started from a small house that was blown over last night. No human power could stop the flames, and in an hour the business portion of the place was one great raging fire. Nearly 200 families are homeless and the loss will foot up \$100,000. It is reported that several persons lost their lives at this fire, but no confirmation has yet been received.

A dispatch from Yankton, Dak., says: "The records of the signal office show that during the prevalence of the fires in this region the humidity was but 7 per cent—a condition of dryness. Sergeant Oswald says, never before attained in this region. The maximum humidity is 100; the mean annual humidity here 70; This shows that the atmosphere was almost devoid of moisture. The velocity of the wind was 46 miles an hour. The losses in South Dakota will foot up \$2,000,000 at the lowest calculations."

Grover Cleveland, lawyer.

Grover Cleveland, lawyer, walking to his office to work, three days after resigning, in accordance with the award of the election, is a sublimer spectacle than Grover Cleveland president of the United States. The history of king and potentates does not furnish its equal.

Like the other sublime spectacle, the inauguration of a new president elected to the highest power by the people through peaceful revolution, it is not all sublime in itself, but in its insignificance. It is not the person, nor the citizen, nor the ex-

president, nor the lawyer to whom interest attaches, but to the incident of the ex-president without title, pension or any outward form of honor or emulation returning to the duties of a plain citizen and becoming again an integral part of the people from whom and by whom he was raised to power.

The world has viewed for centuries with astonished admiration the historic tableaux of Lucius Quintus Cincinnatus, consul and dictator of the Roman republic, returning to plow and the trivial management of his farm after having twice saved and ruled his country. The spectacle of Cincinnatus is repeated not once or twice, but a great many times in this modern and greater republic. Grover Cleveland is only one of many predecessors who have taken up the duties of citizenship after laying down the powers of high office.

This noblesimplicity and adaptability of free republican institutions would be marred by any plan to retire presidents into plain offices. Better the retirement into plain citizenship, where, whether they be called again into public service or not, there is ample opportunity for illustrious example and scope for patriotic work.—Post Dispatch.

### A Great Battle

Is continually going on in the human system: The demon of impure blood strives to gain victory over the constitution, to ruin health, to drag victims to the grave. A good reliable medicine like Hood's Sarsaparilla is the weapon with which to defend one's self, drive the desperate enemy from the field, and restore peace and health for many years. Try this peculiar medicine.

### NEATLY CAUGHT.

Independence, Mo., April 5.—Last night about 10 o'clock the neat capture of a horse thief was effected at Benton park, near Independence. George Joslin has been at work on the park and also John Clark, a boy, and Charles McComas. Two or three days ago Joslin formed a plan to steal three of Col. Crisp's finest horses and with them emigrate to Oklahoma. Clark and McComas were taken into the scheme. Clark informed Col. Crisp of the projected robbery and he and McComas volunteered to assist in his capture. Last night Marshal Hutz, Constable Gentry and deputy county marshal Ross surprised and captured Joslin as he was riding away with the horses in company with Clark and McComas, and he was brought to independence and incarcerated in the jail.

The horses were fine animals, one being worth \$250 and second \$500 and the third nearly as much. Col. Crisp swore out information against Joslin before Justice Peacock this morning, and the case will probably go to the grand jury now in session.

### LAMENTABLE ACCIDENT.

Sterling Boyles' Wagon Overturns in Grand River and Four of His Children Drowned.

One of the most lamentable accidents which it has been our duty to record for many years, occurred Sunday in east Osage township, this county, in what is known as Jackson's ford across Grand River, about six miles east of Brownington, and about two miles from the old Thornton ferry crossing.

Sterling Boyles, started Sunday morning to visit his mother-in-law who resides across the river in Leesville township. His family comprised himself, wife and six children, the youngest an infant, and the eldest a daughter aged about fourteen, all conveyed in a two horse wagon. When the Jackson ford was reached, (at the mouth of Jackson branch) it was found that Grand river had been heavily swollen by recent rains and its safe fording questionable. Mr. Boyles surveyed the surroundings, and started into the stream, taking advantage of the current which was very swift and strong. He had reached a considerable distance when the attitude of danger and the presence of water in the wagon bed frightened Mrs. Boyles, and caused her to make an exclamation which stopped one of the horses. No sooner did the team come to a halt than the strong current caught the rear end of the wagon, swung it around down stream and uncoupled the wagon. All the occupants were thrown into the water, and quite a distance from the shore. Mr. Boyles saved his wife, who held the infant babe in her arms. A daughter aged six or seven years, drifted toward some overhanging limbs, which she clutched with rare presence of mind, and was rescued by her father. The eldest daughter about 14 years old, caught one of the younger children in her arms and both were swept down the stream some distance before disappearing beneath the surface. The drowned children were two boys and two girls.

Mr. Boyles saved his wagon and team, but the wagon floated down stream a mile or two and was brought to the shore at Rail ford.

Information of the terrible accident spread through the neighborhood in a few hours and yesterday afternoon a score of men with boats and hooks, were laboring with all strength to recover the lost bodies.—Henry County Democrat.

### Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.  
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.  
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.  
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

I stood on the bridge at midnight, as drunk as a son of gun, two moons rose over the city, where there ought to have been but one. I could see their bright reflections in the water under me, and I experienced a feeling of wonder and great curiosity. If only one had been there, I would not have been in doubt, but what two moons were doing I could not well make out. The tide was slowly ebbing, I could hear the waters roll, as I stood in the wavering shadows to hide from the night patrol. How often, Oh! how often in the days of auld lang syne, I have tried to cross at midnight, and got left every time. But to-night I was hot and restless, and my mind was full of care; and the walk that lay before me was more than I could bear. I had no latch-key with me and locked would be the door, and I would have to sit in the door way, as I oft had done before. I'd have to sit in the doorway in agony and in fear, till a voice said from the window "Did the lodge hold late, my dear!" So to-night I stood there dreaming; and watching the restless tide, till a cop came with a wagon and invited me to ride.—Ex.

## THE WALL PAPER POOL.

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W. W. GRAVES,  
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